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For: METHOD OF PUNCHING SMALL HOLE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING  
LIQUID EJECTION HEAD USING THE SAME

**SUBMISSION OF ART**

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Sir:

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- 1) Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-001450; published January 8, 2002;  
abstract attached.

The above-listed document was recently cited in a communication from a Foreign Patent Office dated September 9, 2005, English Translation enclosed herewith.

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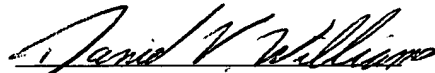
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